

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: T. Tanaka, et al. **ATTY DOCKET NO.:** 9792909-5359
SERIAL NO.: not yet assigned **GROUP ART UNIT:** not yet assigned
DATE FILED: January 18, 2002 **EXAMINER:** not yet assigned
INVENTION: THIN-FILM TRANSISTOR AND METHOD FOR MAKING
THE SAME

which is a Divisional of the following copending U.S. Application:

APPLICANT: T. Tanaka, et al. **ATTY DOCKET NO.:** 9792909-4970
SERIAL NO.: 09/827,676 **GROUP ART UNIT:** 2811
DATE FILED: April 6, 2001 **EXAMINER:** T. Tran
INVENTION: THIN FILM TRANSISTOR AND METHOD FOR MAKING
THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the accompanying application as follows:

In the Specification

On page 1, after the title and before the heading, "Background of the Invention,"
please insert the following:

---RELATED APPLICATION DATA

This application claims priority to Japanese Application No. P2000-105304, filed
April 6, 2000, and is a divisional of United States Application Serial No. 09/827,676, filed
April 6, 2001, both of which are incorporated herein by reference to the extent permitted by
law.---

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 4-9, 11 and 13.

CONCLUSION

The above amendments are being made to set forth claims 1-3, 10 and 12, upon which this divisional application is based. Claims 4-9, 11 and 13 have been cancelled.

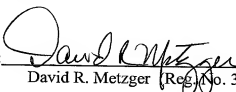
The specification has been amended to identify parent application Serial No. 09/827,676 and to include a claim of priority.

A copy of the original Declaration and Power of Attorney is submitted herewith pursuant to M.P.E.P. 201.06(c).

Applicants request prompt and favorable consideration by the Examiner of the now pending application.

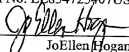
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